

## Claims

1 1. A method of welding, comprising:  
2 applying a laser beam onto a seam of a first element and a second element, where the  
3 laser beam is of sufficient energy to melt a portion of the material of the first and second  
4 element onto which it is applied, oscillating the laser beam such that a laser spot of the laser  
5 beam scans back and forth across the seam, wherein oscillating the laser beam creates an  
6 effective laser spot size larger than the laser spot size, moving the oscillating laser beam  
7 along the seam, wherein the first element and second element are welded as the oscillating  
8 laser beam moves along the seam.

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